

Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin

Region: Southwest Florida

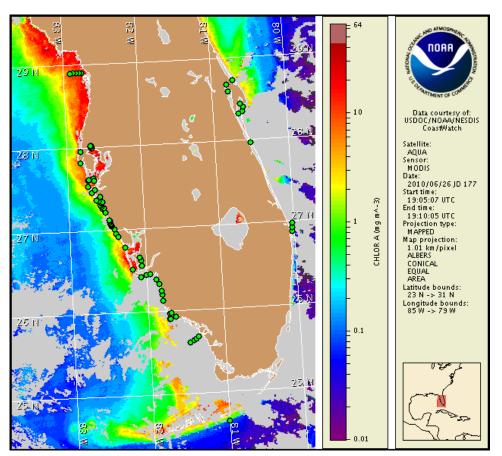
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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from June 18 to 24 shown as red (high), orange (medium), yellow (low b), brown (low a), blue(very low b), purple (very low a), pink (present), and green (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the HABFS bulletin guide:

http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hab/habfs_bulletin_guide.pdf

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Conditions Report

There is currently no indication of a harmful algal bloom at the coast in southwest Florida, including the Florida Keys. No impacts are expected alongshore southwest Florida today through Monday, July 5.

Analysis

Due to a Federal Holiday, the next regular bulletin will be issued on Tuesday, July 6.

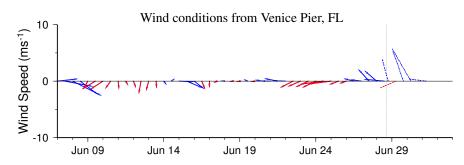
There is currently no indication of a harmful algal bloom in southwest Florida, including the Florida Keys. No *Karenia brevis* was identified at the coast last week between Pinellas and Collier counties, or offshore Collier and south of the middle Florida Keys (6/20-25; FWRI, MML, SCHD).

While imagery is cloudy, elevated chlorophyll features are visible alongshore and offshore Pinellas and Manatee, Charlotte and Lee Counties, and Monroe County, which are likely the result of mixed non-harmful algal blooms that continue to be reported in many southwest Florida counties.

Harmful algal bloom formation is not expected at the coast through Monday, July 5.

Due to technical difficulties, MODIS imagery is shown at left and on page 2.

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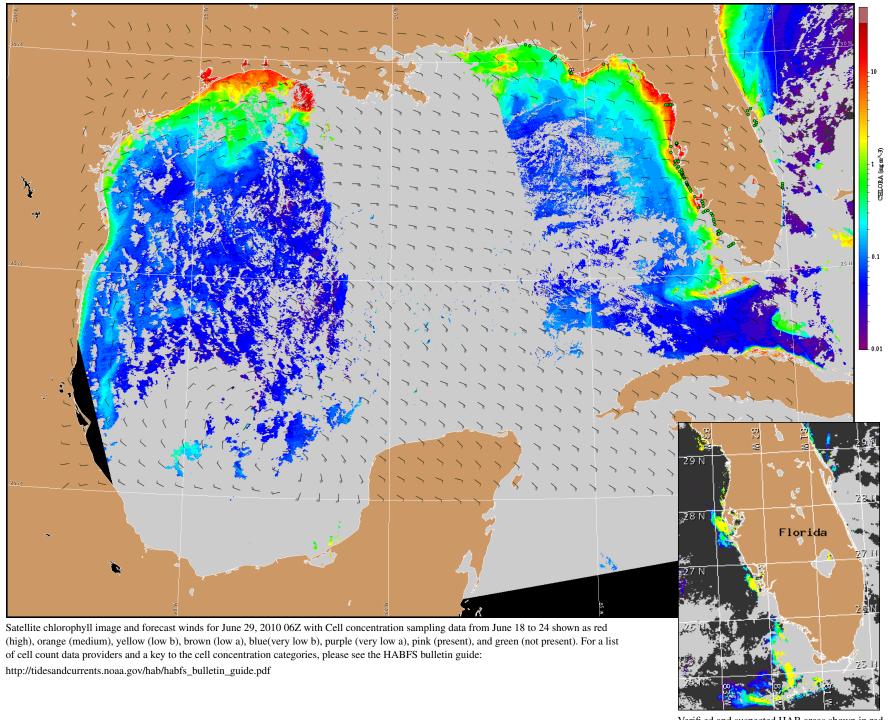


Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts. Wind observation and forecast data provided by NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS).

Wind Analysis

SW Florida: South to southeasterlies today through Friday (10-15 kn; 5-8 m/s).

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Verifi ed and suspected HAB areas shown in red. Other areas of high chlorophyll concentration shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).